

### **REMARKS**

The Examiner has required that an election be made to one of the patentability distinct species of the claimed invention.

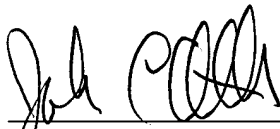
Applicants elect species 17 (Figs. 24A-24C). The claims which are readable on the elected species are claims 62-70, 74 and 77-88. Of these claims, 80-88 are generic. As the Examiner notes, should a generic claim be found allowable, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of additional species as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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